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ABOUT PEOPLE

Albert Bess of Hamilton, is in the city.

B. Foutz, of Irvile was in the city on Friday.

J. C. Childs of Utica, was in Newark on Thursday.

P. E. Burge was in Coshocton this week on business.

Robert Smith of Martinsburg, was in Newark on Thursday.

W. J. Allsire of Columbus, is in the city on business today.

Dr. Knauss was in Columbus Friday on professional business.

L. O. McFarland is seriously ill at his home on Wright street.

J. N. Harper of Mt Vernon was here for a short time on Thursday.

Clarence White spent several days this week with friends in Croton.

Mrs. W. N. Manuel, of Carnegie, Pa., is spending a few days in the city.

Carl Weiant a student at Kenyon college, is home for the holidays.

A Korzenhorn of Akron, is visiting relatives in the city for a few days.

John Axtell of Edison, Morrow county, was in Newark on Thursday.

Harry Williams of South Fifth street is confined to his home with sickness.

Charles Armentrout of Ironton, O., a plumber, is visiting friends in the city.

Walter Diehl of West Lafayette is visiting his sister Mrs. Henry Husband for a few days.

Mrs. J. G. Collins has returned from Texas, where she was called by the illness of a relative.

George L. Starrett the cigar manufacturer, made a business trip to Coshocton this week.

Margurite, the little daughter of George H. Kureth, who has been sick for some time, is reported to be very much improved.

Charles Thompson of Akron is visiting his mother, Mrs. John Thompson at her home on Elm street.

Miss Zebba Howell has returned home after a pleasant visit with Miss Margaret Briggs of Columbus.

Clyde Rosebrough of the Davill C. Beggs Dry Goods company of Columbus, was in the city on business Thursday.

Phil McFarland of the Zanesville police force, was called here by the illness of his brother, L. O. McFarland, of Wright street.

Maurice Pace and Roy Wells and Mrs. Sallie of Denison university, spent Thursday and Friday with friends in the city.

Mrs. Harry Church of Columbus, arrived here today and will go to Granville, where she will transact some important business before returning to her home.

Miss Stella Crawford of Locust street, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Joseph Spencer, at her home in Perryton, during the past week, has returned home.

Dr. J. G. Shirer went to Ostego, Muskingum county, this morning, where he will attend a meeting of the directors of a company engaged in developing the oil and gas field in that section.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vadakin and niece left Wednesday for New Orleans, and will visit Florida, Cuba, Mexico, Arizona, California and the Hawaiian Islands and intend to be gone at least all winter on a pleasant tour.

Miss Louise Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Jones, who has been attending school in Washington, arrived home this morning to spend her holiday vacation. Quite a number of her friends were at the B. & O. depot to welcome her.

The editor of the Advocate enjoyed a personal call Friday from Mr. John Farmer, one of the staunch Democrats of North Union. Mr. Farmer has been a continuous subscriber of the Advocate for 54 years, and during the same period has never voted anything but a straight forward Democratic ticket.

Owen Orr of Placerville, Cal., who has been visiting relatives and friends in Newark, Linnville and other places in the county, and at Glenford, Perry county for the past two weeks will leave in a few days for his western home, where he intends to close out his business and go to the Klondyke regions.

Mr. Arthur Pratt, recently with George Hermann, has been appointed extra clerk in the postoffice for December.

THE DANITES

BY NEWARK EAGLES HERE ON JANUARY 22.

Entertainment Will be Given at the Auditorium by Local Talent and Will Make a Hit.

The members of Licking Aerle, 387, of this city, are making preparations for a grand entertainment to be given at the Auditorium on the evening of January 22. On this occasion the sensational comedy play of "The Danites" will be produced, the principal characters of which will be taken by well known home artists. The members of the executive committee met at the bicycle store of Mr. James Mills on Thursday night to further the arrangements and to look over the costumes of the various performers. The costumes to be worn by Mayor Crilly, who takes the part of the "Squire," was found to be admirably adapted to the figure of the Mayor, and he makes a first class "Squire." With a little coaching in his singing he will be up to date and is bound to make a hit.

Charles Henry makes a first class Chinaman, and with a little more practice in his pigeon English, will carry out his part to perfection.

George B. Hamilton, the veteran actor, who takes the character of the "villain" found his costume at right with the exception of the dagger which was lost on the way to this city.

All that is now lacking to make the cast complete is the lady chorus, and Mr. Hamilton has agreed to secure some 12 or 14 of the prettiest young women in the city to take part. A full dress rehearsal will be held in the near future, and it is a sure thing that the entertainment will be one of the best ever given in the city by home talent. One thousand tickets are being printed at the Advocate office and will be placed on sale the first of the week.

"M. QUAD"

Defendant in Another Suit Instituted by Miss Billings in a New York Court.

New York, Dec 18.—The second suit of Marie Aileen Billings against C. F. Lewis, the humorist writer under the name of M. Quad, charging him with a breach of contract, has been commenced in court. In the first suit brought by Miss Billings to recover \$300 back salary alleged to be due from Lewis, the humorist came out victorious. Miss Billings then filed a second suit, in which she claimed she entered into a verbal contract with Mr. Lewis under the terms of which he was to pay her \$30 a week for a year and at the expiration of that period bestow \$25,000 upon her. For violation of the alleged contract she asked damages. This was the suit which came up yesterday.

Miss Billings was examined as to the services she had performed under the contract. She declared they were mostly in furnishing ideas for Mr. Lewis' literary work. She said she had given him some splendid ideas—she knew they were splendid because Mr. Lewis had admitted they were.

When Mr. Lewis took the stand he reviewed their circumstances of his meeting with Miss Billings and their subsequent relationship. He denied most emphatically that there had ever been any contract between them. All that he had ever undertaken to do was to tell her stories for her. The case was continued today.

RICHARDSON-MAZELIN.

A happy wedding was quietly celebrated in the parlors of the Hotel Warden this afternoon, about 1 o'clock. The contracting parties were Mr. Frank O. Richardson, a highly respected resident of Dabney, Ind., and Miss Belle Mazelin the charming daughter of Mr. Frank Mazelin a prominent farmer of Etna township, this county. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. B. F. Patt in the presence of a few of the intimate friends of the contracting parties. The young couple have the best wishes of their many friends for their future happiness and prosperity.

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THE STEEL TRUST

New York, Dec. 18.—It is said on excellent authority that Andrew Carnegie and John D. Rockefeller have come to a definite agreement as to the future of the United States Steel corporation, and that the agreement provides for a radical reorganization of the personnel, by which all the merger officers would be represented by the Carnegie-Rockefeller men. It is also agreed that there shall be a further reduction of expenses.

IN CONGRESS.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Mr. Perkins, of California, presided over the senate today in the absence of the president pro tem. Mr. Dooliver presented a petition pertaining to the Isle of Pines. Upon objection of Mr. Lodge that it should be presented in secret session, it was withdrawn.

Washington, Dec. 18.—There were not more than fifty members present when the house met today. Mr. Wanger, of Pennsylvania, chairman of the committee on expenditures in the postoffice department, offered the privilege resolution papers and reports in the postoffice investigation.

The Home of Grafting.

"Do you think the man knows anything about trees, my dear?" "I think he does. He told me he was a grafter from Grand Rapids."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

REGISTER YOUR PACKAGES AND VALUABLE LETTERS.

Each year about the holiday season there is a flood of complaints about lost valuables sent through the mails. This year the postoffice department has provided an extra clerk for the registry department and commencing Saturday morning, December 19, the carriers' window will be open for registry business from 7:30 a. m. to 7:30 p. m. It only costs 8c extra to register a letter or package, and guarantees absolute safety. Register your valuable mail.

J. M. ICKES, Postmaster.

Such a Scholar.

"The Biffer girls are very proud of the fact that their father is such a fine scholar."

"Are they?" "Yes. You see he even went so far as to enter in the family Bible the date of the birth of each of them in choice Hebrew, and they are not at all afraid to pass the record around."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Critical Boston.

"There is no town where the president's message is read so closely as it is in Boston."

"It interests them, does it?" "No. They are looking for split infinitives."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Florida's orange and pineapple crop is estimated at \$2,500,000.

BRUTAL AS OX-DRIVER

German Army Officer Sentenced to Prison for Abusing Soldiers.

Berlin, Dec. 18.—Owing to his mistreatment of soldiers on 1,520 counts and abuses of authority on 100 counts, a non-commissioned officer named Franzki, has been sentenced to five years' imprisonment and dishonorable discharge from the army. The court declared Franzki had shown the "brutality of an ox-driver."

One witness, who had run his head against a wall until he dropped unconscious, the seventh time, was asked by the judge:

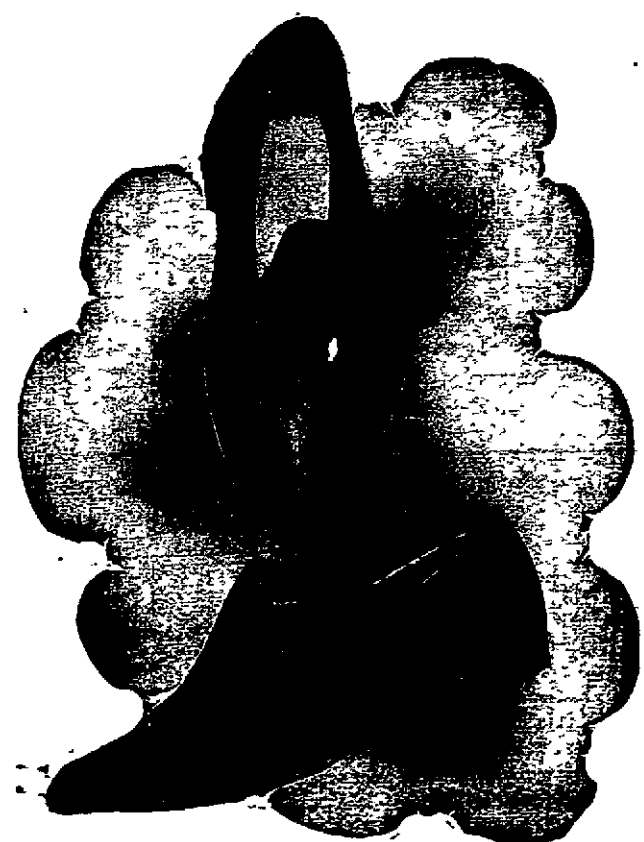
"Why did you do such a senseless thing?"

"An officer told me to do so. I had to obey. If I had not he would have reported me for insubordination."

Franzki had a favorite stick which he called "Frederick Wilhelm." This he broke while beating a private, and he got another which he christened "Frederick the Great," who he said, "was the best sergeant the Prussian army ever had."

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Secretary Root has transcended his record for arrogance, concealment of records and bluffing. Forgetting that he is no more than any Tom, Dick or Harry unless he had within his personal knowledge as an official or private citizen admissible testimony in the General Wood case, he went before the military committee of the senate yesterday and delivered a stump speech denouncing the men who are trying to elicit correct views as to this man Wood in both soldier and individual aspects. Are "the advice and consent of the senate" thus to be influenced by a cabinet minister, who assumes that a committee of a legislative body, independent of the executive, is a forum for mere partisan defense and bulldozing? How does Secretary Root know that McKinley investigated the charges against Wood, as he says? There is no record showing it, and the record is the best evidence. Mr. Root's hearsay is no better than that of other Americans, which would be promptly excluded. But Mr. Root is a soaked and saturated imperialist, and this is the very essence of the procedure of a genuine imperialist. Edward VII could do no better. What has Mr. Root got to do with saying the attack on Wood is spiteful? If the facts justify it, the spite can be ignored.

DEMOCRATS

Of New York State Will Try to Land the National Convention for Gotham.

Washington, Dec. 18.—New York will make a bid for the national Democratic convention. The Democratic representatives of that city have formed an organization, the purpose of which is to arouse public sentiment in New York in favor of sending a committee to Washington to urge the Democratic national committee to select that city for the convention. It is taken for granted that Tammany Hall, through its leaders, who have visited Washington several times recently, inspired the action of the representatives.

Several newspapers in New York recently indulged in criticism of the politicians of the city and state for their indifference on the subject of obtaining national conventions, and pointed out that success in this direction was to be attained only by hard work. New York expects to name the candidate for president, whether he be Judge Parker or Senator Gorman, and Tammany is desirous of dominating the party councils of the state, as well as the greater city. No surer step toward the accomplishment of this ambition could be taken than to send the convention to New York. If New York enters the contest with sincerity and earnestness it is not improbable that she will carry off the prize. Thus far St. Louis seems to be the only city that is making an earnest effort to collect the evidence of good faith which exercises a winning influence upon the minds of the party committee.

Little has been heard in Washington about the Democrats of Chicago desiring to secure the convention for that city. With all things equal there is hardly any reason to doubt that the committee will be overwhelmingly in favor of Chicago, but a special effort in behalf of any city, and especially if that city be New York, is likely to bring about a change of existing sentiment.

To improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion, try a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Mr. J. H. Seitz, of Detroit, Mich., says: "They restored my appetite when impaired, relieved me of a bloated feeling and caused a pleasant and satisfactory movement of the bowels." There are people in this community who need just such a medicine. For sale by all druggists. Every box warranted.

ATTORNEYS NOTICE.

The following volumes are missing from the Licking County Law Library: 5th Circuit Court, 57th Ohio State, 21st-22d, 23d-24th, 29th-30th, 41st-42d, and 45th-46th Law Bulletin.

You will confer a favor by returning same to court room should any be in your office.

O. C. LARSON, Clerk.
Per E. M. LARSON, Deputy.

THE ASSEMBLY

NAME CHOSEN FOR NEW HALL IN UNION BLOCK.

Finest Dancing and Reception Hall in the City Will be Dedicated on Christmas Night.

At a meeting of those interested held Thursday evening, "The Assembly" was the name chosen for the new hall in the Union block, which is to be formally dedicated on Christmas night by the Alfretha club, with one of their mid-winter dances. This new hall is especially adapted for dancing, reception and societies, and arrangements will be made for seating it for recitals or concerts.

The vestibule entrance on the second floor is finished in antique oak, and from this vestibule the ladies enter the east side and the gentlemen the west side. Each side is equipped with dressing and cloak room, reception room and toilet. These are large and fitted up in a convenient and elegant manner. From each of these rooms entrance may be made into the main hall, 40 by 70 feet, the floor space being much larger than that of any similar hall in Newark. The floor is highly polished maple, and is especially constructed for dancing.

The decorations of the hall are in oil, and show a tasteful and artistic arrangement. At regular intervals along each side the walls are broken by pillars, with composition bases and tops, handsomely carved and artistically ornate. Down the pillars there are rows of incandescent lights, which are calculated to shed a brilliancy over the entire hall.

The windows in the south side are of decorated Venetian glass, which is costly and very ornamental. The balcony banquet room is above and around the hall, and will seat 50 or 60 people. This is furnished with all the necessary tables, linen, silver, and other requisites, including a large antique oak buffet.

The kitchen and serving room extends over and above part of the floor, and here again is found completeness of plan, and detail of the equipment.

The Assembly will be rented for any kind of an entertainment by applying to E. W. Crayton at the Licking County Bank, who has charge of the booking. It will not be known how much the new hall will rent for, until after the opening night, as the operating expenses can then be figured.

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INDICTMENT

FOR FIRST DEGREE MURDER IS EXPECTED.

Sensation Created This Morning at Rising Sun Over Failure of a Witness to Appear.

Rising Sun, Ind., Dec. 18.—A sensation was created here this morning when it was learned that Mrs. Myron Barbour, a relative of Miss Elizabeth Gillespie, had left the city. Mrs. Barbour had testified before the grand jury and was summoned to appear again this morning but she could not be found. It was stated that Mrs. Barbour had been seen to board the omnibus which runs to Aurora, and Mayor Matson telephoned the marshal of Aurora to locate the woman if possible. Marshal Overly and Detective Frank left immediately for Aurora with a forthwith summons for Mrs. Barbour. Prosecutor Wulber and his assistant are reviewing the testimony given before the grand jury and they say that they will ask for three indictments for the murder of Miss Gillespie. It is almost certain that there will be one indictment for first degree murder.

Marshal Overly and Detective Frank overtook the omnibus a few miles from town and discovered that the woman passenger was Mrs. Gillespie, of Cincinnati, wife of Dr. Wm. Gillespie, brother of the murdered woman. They then returned here, and finally located Mrs. Barbour who appeared before the grand jury.

JAPS WANT WAR

Tokio, Japan, Dec. 18.—Popular feeling towards Russia today is most heated and it is thought in many circles that were the matter put to a vote of the people, Japan would declare war against Russia in the very near future. In the meantime, however, the government is showing great steadiness under unusual pressure. An ultimatum has not yet been given.

Memorial Auditorium.

A meeting of the trustees of the Memorial hall was held Thursday afternoon, and in regard to the difficulty between the Elks and Manager Rosebraugh, it was decided not to interfere in any way with Manager Rosebraugh in his dealings with that lodge.

It now appears to be up to the lodge to press their suit if it is so disposed, said one of the trustees today.

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W. H. PITTSFORD

Who Left for Oklahoma Territory the First of the Month Writes Advocate Interesting Letter.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 12, 1903.

Editor Advocate:

As many of my friends in old Licking county request me to write them, I will, with your permission, do so through the columns of The Advocate, which is one of the best county papers I ever saw.

Well, we left Newark at 9:40 a. m. on December 1, and arrived in St. Louis at 9:50 p. m., ten minutes late. We had a very pleasant trip from Newark to St. Louis, especially when we crossed the great river. It was a bright, moonlight night. Thousands of lights were shining, steamboats floating to and fro, the huge cakes of ice floating down the river, the noise, the confusion, etc., made it one of the greatest sights I ever witnessed. Now I wish to give a few points of interest to the readers of The Advocate. St. Louis was founded by Lacade, who died in 1778. There are thirty-nine fire engine companies and twelve hook and ladder companies in St. Louis. The largest drug house in the world is located in St. Louis. The daily consumption of water in St. Louis is 67,179,630 gallons. The death rate is 16.66 per 1,000 persons. The number of persons employed at the postoffice is 1,400. The postmaster receives a salary of \$6,000 per year. Four hundred million pieces of mail were handled last year in the St. Louis postoffice. St. Louis has more miles of paved streets than any other American city. The total area of St. Louis is 62 1/2 square miles. Its river frontage is 19.25 miles; its average elevation above the sea is 604 feet. It has the largest rubber works in the West. The total length of the Eads bridge is 6,320 feet. Last year 4,502 houses were erected, which were valued at \$12,854,625. Over 600,000 pounds of candy are made in St. Louis yearly. There are more than 80,000 school children in St. Louis; the tallest shot tower in America is located here. St. Louis sells 80,000,000 pounds of barbed wire annually; the largest plate glass window ever made is in a St. Louis building; the Coliseum has a seating capacity of 15,000; St. Louis has the largest union depot in the world. Well, I guess this is all for this time.

W. H. PITTSFORD.

College Meeting

The Ohio College association will hold its thirty-fourth annual convention on Monday and Tuesday, December 28 and 29 at the Great Southern hotel, Columbus.

The association has prepared an elaborate program as follows:

Monday session, 7:30 p. m.—Address, "Ohio Colleges and State Normal Schools," President Emory W. Hunt, Denison university; address, President Alfred T. Perry, Marietta college; business session, secretary's report; treasurer's report; appointment of nominating committee.

Tuesday session, 9:00 a. m.—Round table discussion, (a) "Electives in Colleges," President W. O. Thompson, Ohio State university; (b) "A Commissioner for Elaborating an Educational Policy for Ohio," President J. W. Bashford, Ohio Wesleyan university; President C. P. Benton, Miami university; (c) "Economy of Time in College," President Howard Ayers, University of Cincinnati; Professor W. E. Smyser, Ohio Wesleyan university. Reports of committees.

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GRANVILLE

TERM RECITAL WAS ENJOYED ON THURSDAY NIGHT.

Football Team Entertained—Mrs. Henrietta Belt's Funeral—Fall Term of School Closes.

Granville, O., Dec. 18.—The term recital given at Recital Hall on Thursday evening by Mr. Arthur Judson, violinist; Miss Bess M. Benedict, pianist; Miss Jennie Blinn, contralto, and Miss Ellen M. Ransom, accompanist, was one of the finest musical entertainments heard in Granville this season. The college may well be proud of the conservatory of music this year, which is under the management of such excellent and talented instructors as those who participated in last night's concert. The violin solos of Prof. Judson were especially well received and appreciated, although all those who took part in the entertainment were the recipients of hearty applause. It is safe to say that the great advancement made during the last few years in the conservatory is due to the tireless and unselfish efforts of Prof. Judson, and certainly Granville people realize this and appreciate the work and ability of the talented young musician.

At a meeting on Thursday the Philomathean literary society of Shepardson college elected the following officers for the ensuing term: President, Bettye Corpering; vice president, Clarence Carroll; corresponding secretary, Donna Russell.

Wm. Morgan, a well known young farmer, residing a short distance east of Granville, sustained painful injuries by a limb of a tree falling on him. He was engaged in cutting the tree, when it suddenly fell, the limb catching him.

The members of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity very delightfully entertained their young lady friends on Thursday night at the S. S. Chamberlain lodge of Phi Gamma Delta. The rooms were beautifully decorated for the occasion. Light refreshments were served and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

The remains of Mrs. Henrietta Belt, who died at her home in Newark, on Tuesday afternoon, were brought to Granville, and the funeral services were held here on Thursday afternoon. Interment was made in Maple Grove cemetery.

Dr. E. W. Hunt, president of Denison university, and his estimable wife entertained the 1903 foot ball team and the Board of Control of the university, at their home on College Hill, at 5:30 o'clock supper. Speeches were made by Dr. R. S. Colwell, Dr. H. R. Hundley, ex-Captain Edward Loughridge and Assistant Coach Fred S. LaRue. John F. VanVoorhis, right half back of Denison's 1903 team, was elected captain of the 1904 team.

Miss Susan Moore, former dean of the conservatory of music of Denison university, now a teacher at the university of West Virginia at Morgantown, spent a few days here this week, the guest of friends in the college.

Denison university and Shepardson college dismissed at noon today for the holiday vacation, and a majority of the students are now well on their way homeward. The last of the examinations were completed at noon today, and there will be no more school for Denison until the 5th of January. The public schools will close for the winter vacation on Thursday of next week.

WORLD'S FAIR

St. Louis More Nearly Ready Now Than Chicago was a Month Before the Fair Opened.

The Chicago Record-Herald says: St. Louis, five months before the opening of her exposition, is farther along in her preparations than Chicago was one month before the opening of the World's Fair of 1893. The whole vista of the exposition is already finished and spread out before the eyes in every direction. This forward condition of affairs, wisely reached by careful planning and methodical handling of a vast army of employees, is going to mean a great deal to the success of the fair. The area covered by this immense project is as large as that of our world's fair in Chicago, the last Paris exposition and the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo put together. And St. Louis will have exactly forty-eight more acres under roof than the world's fair. Foreign countries are spending over \$1,000,000 more here than they did at Chicago in representation; the states and territories of the United States are exceeding the world's fair total of \$1,500,000. Add to this the important fact that St. Louis will have the advantage of a whole decade of wonderful discoveries, of vast progress in almost every department of activity, and we will be able to understand why her exposition ought to be the most wonderful spectacle of the kind that the world has ever seen.

COAL.

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ATTRACTIVE SHOW WINDOW.

The show window of Larus & Altheimer's clothing store presents a very attractive appearance. The window is festooned with holly and wreaths, in connection with a display of handsome wearing apparel.

Mr. Reed, who is the manager of the local store, does the window trimming. He is an artist at such work, having had an experience extending over 17 years in large stores in the east. It

Fire Extinguisher.

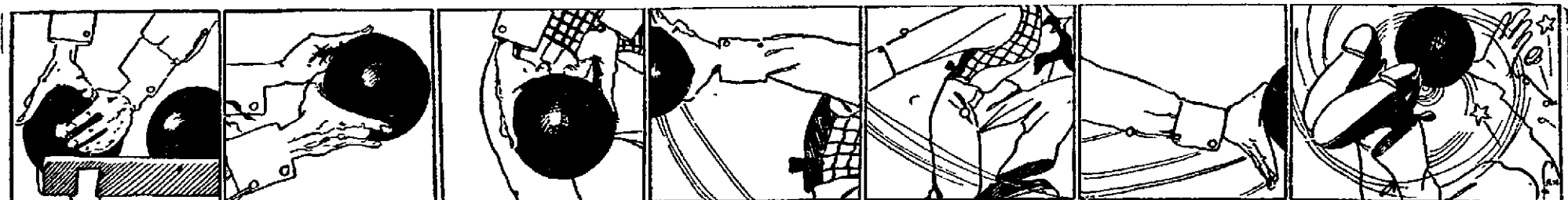
It seems now that Mr. F. C. Rochelle did have a permit from the Mayor to give the test of the Manville fire extinguisher on the corner of Main and Fourth streets. The exhibition was witnessed by the chief and a large number of business men, and all were highly pleased with the rapid manner in which the powder put out the fire which was burning 20 or 25 feet high, fed by the gasoline and oil thrown on pine kindlings.

The extinguisher is the best on the market today, as well as the cheapest and is made by a reliable firm. The extinguishers do not deteriorate or freeze or corrode, as the liquid extinguishers do. No doubt many will adopt them here in the city.

John Prior wants his friends to know that he will serve roast pig at his place on Saturday night.

Governor Yates of Illinois has appointed a commission of five to secure a statue of Frances E. Willard, the temperance lecturer, and erect it in Statuary Hall, Washington.

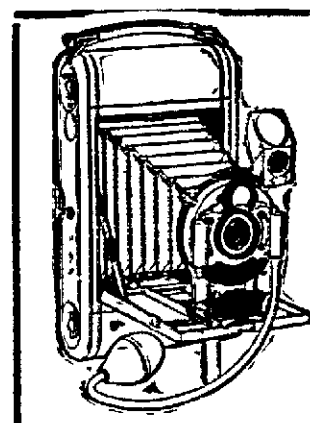
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FEDERATION STANDS FOR HIGHER QUALIFICATIONS.

Graduation from a High School is Not Sufficient to Prepare One to Teach.

The first thing the Ohio Teachers' Federation stands for is higher qualifications for teachers. It believes that teaching should be a profession in the same sense as law or medicine, and that it should have protection as they do. It does not recognize high school graduation as a sufficient qualification for teaching in elementary schools. In short, the high school prepares for teaching no more than it prepares for law, medicine or dentistry, as all the professional schools require high school graduation for entrance.

True it is that teachers in the best city high schools are usually required to be college graduates, which requirement puts them on a professional basis comparable to that of law and medicine, but in this state there are no definite professional requirements preparatory to taking examinations for grade teaching.

The Federation does not think that a person who has no more schooling than that offered by the high school is qualified for teaching in the city schools. The Federation fixes the minimum requirement for elementary teachers at graduation from high school plus one year of professional work at a normal school. These requirements are to be met before one is to be eligible to take the teachers' examination.

Requirements similar to these are already in force in New York state. Section 4, chapter 1031, of the New York statutes provides that "After January 1, 1897, no person shall be employed or licensed to teach in the primary and grammar schools of any city authorized by law to employ a superintendent of schools (that is, 5,000 and over) who has not had successful experience in teaching for at least three years, or, in lieu thereof, has not completed a three-year course in and graduated from a high school or academy having a course of study of not less than three years, approved by the state superintendent of public instruction, or from some institution of equal or higher rank approved by the same authority, and who, subsequent to such graduation, has not graduated from a school or class for the professional training of teachers, having a course of study of not less than 28 weeks, approved by the superintendent of public instruction. Nothing in this act shall be construed to restrict any board of education from requiring such additional qualifications of teachers as said board may determine."

Now that Ohio has two state normal schools and is likely to have three more very soon, and also has several good private normal schools, there is no obstacle in the way of the operation of such a law in Ohio. New York has 15 state normal schools.

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APPLICATION FOR PARDON.

President Roosevelt Will be Asked to Consider the Harry P. Scott Case and Grant a Pardon--Reason Why Application is Made.

Harry P. Scott violated the federal statutes when he permitted Harry J. Hoover to enter the People's National bank and make alterations on the books of said bank. The United States court has ordered Scott to be imprisoned in the Ohio penitentiary for a period of thirteen months, but sentence has been suspended pending an appeal of the case.

Under usual circumstances this punishment would appear none too great, but in the circumstances surrounding this case, it is our opinion that Harry P. Scott has, in the humiliation attending his indictment and arrest and the consequent proceedings before the federal court at Columbus, suffered sufficiently for the offense. Here briefly are the reasons:

First—Harry P. Scott did not permit the alteration of the books for the purpose of robbing the bank, but to recover money that had previously been stolen from the bank.

Second—Harry P. Scott, by his unlawful act, succeeded in the recovery of a large sum of money to the bank in which his father-in-law, Benjamin Franklin, has a large financial interest. Mr. Franklin being president of said bank.

Third—Harry P. Scott did not profit in the slightest degree from the transaction.

Fourth—Harry P. Scott, believing Hoover's shortage to be less than \$7,000, was persuaded that the stolen

money could be rightfully restored to the bank. He was convinced that Hoover had accumulated a sum sufficient to honestly pay his defalcation at the People's bank.

Fifth—Scott and Hoover had been intimate friends from boyhood. Scott alone knew of Hoover's shortage. He returned Hoover to alter the books and return the stolen money to save his friend from disgrace, from imprisonment.

Sixth—Scott was in New York when the agitation was at its height. He knew the federal authorities were about to investigate the case and was told that he would be indicted. He had ample opportunity to leave the country if he had chosen to do so. Instead, he returned promptly to Newark and was here to face the charge.

The Advocate knows that Scott is guilty of a technical violation of the law and that Scott's act for which he was indicted was not committed from motives which were bad except in a legal sense, yet The Advocate believes that from the facts here stated he has already been punished to the extent the violation demands. The Advocate believes that it voices the public sentiment in proposing that a pardon be requested of the president of the United States. That the application may have as many voluntary signatures as possible, the paper for signatures may be found in The Advocate counting room, where any and all who are inclined to do so may sign it.

HEAVY LOSS

SUSTAINED BY WASHERWOMAN OF NEWARK.

After Many Months of Hard Work She Saved \$135 and Lost It Thursday Afternoon.

In the minds of many, especially the unlettered there is an opinion that all banks are a repository of their earnings or savings, and this fact is frequently brought to light by the news that some miser, or other deluded person has been robbed of all their savings that often have taken a life time to accumulate.

Thursday afternoon there was an instance of the folly of this prejudice in Newark, and as a result a poor woman is out over one hundred dollars, this sum representing her all.

Mrs. Sadie Dillplane who lives at 59 Front street, across from the city dumping grounds, did not trust the banks. Every day she worked hard over the wash tub, and by frugal living and good management had managed to lay by a portion of her daily earnings. Instead of placing this in some institution, where it would have been safe and where it would have earned interest, she put it in a pocket book, which she tied in a handkerchief and carried on her person, usually in her dress waist. When she accumulated \$5 or \$10 she would get a bill for it, and after many months she had saved about \$135. It can readily be imagined the amount of work, hard and grinding, that this represented over the wash tub and it may be said to have been the result of months of privation and self denial.

On Thursday afternoon Mrs. Dillplane was at the city dumping ground, with others, looking over the stuff brought there that day, from the Powers-Miller store, perhaps, and some little trinket.

In this occupation her waist became unfastened, and without her knowledge her little fortune tied in a silk handkerchief, fell among the refuse. As soon as she discovered her loss, she searched that ground as never before, but without success, and it is doubtful if she ever finds the money.

At another time while living in another part of the city, burglars entered Mrs. Dillplane's home and stole her savings, amounting to a couple of hundred dollars.

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Chicago's street car strike made quite a hole in that city's finances. Those things are costly. The St. Louis street car strike cost the merchants, company and strikers over \$22,000,000, but it lasted a long time. The Cleveland strike of 1894 cost \$1,000,000, and New Orleans, San Francisco and many other cities know how those things feel.

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NEW MINISTER

WILL TAKE CHARGE OF CHURCH NEXT MONTH.

Sketch of the Rev. Mr. Cosgrove—He Has Done Good Work at St. Mary's, Ontario.

Rev. T. A. Cosgrove, of St. Mary's, Ontario, Canada, has written the Advocate he expects to be with the congregation of the Second Presbyterian church of this city on the first Sunday of the New Year and will preach in this pulpit on that day, being formally installed as pastor of the church as soon thereafter as possible.

Rev. Mr. Cosgrove some weeks ago, occupied the pulpit of the Second church morning and evening one Sunday, and the impression made on the congregation was so favorable that he soon after received a unanimous call to become the regular incumbent of the pulpit made vacant by the resignation of Rev. Frank Granstaff in February, 1902, nearly two years ago.

This call was accepted and it will be good news to the members of this church and congregation that the new pastor expects to take up his duties at an early date. In this connection, a short sketch of Mr. Cosgrove will be of interest.

Thomas A. Cosgrove was born in Port Hope, Canada and after completing a course in the primary schools of that place, attended Queens university, Kingston, Canada, where he was graduated with honors and the degree of Bachelor of Arts. This general education was supplemented with a short course in Union Theological seminary, New York, after which Mr. Cosgrove was graduated from Free Church college, Edinburgh, Scotland, with the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

After completing his education he returned to Canada and accepted a call to St. Mary's Ontario, where he settled, that being his first and only charge. Here he was recognized as a man of eminent scholastic attainments, a preacher of great power and eloquence and a faithful pastor.

The St. Mary's Argus of December 8, contains the following relative to Mr. Cosgrove's work there:

"At a meeting of Presbytery held for the purpose of dissolving the pastoral relations between the First Presbyterian church and Rev. T. A. Cosgrove, Presbytery elder, Mr. Maclean recited to the Presbytery the circumstances of the call to Newark, Ohio. That coming unsolicited it appeared to him and to his session as a providential direction and that for this reason the church did not oppose it. Mr. Cosgrove's ministry had been helpful and inspiring to his people; he had been a faithful pastor, a wise counselor and an able preacher, whom they would part with with regret. Messrs. McMaster and Lawrie spoke of the harmony that prevailed between pastor, session and board of management. They referred to Mr. Cosgrove's tact and fellowship and the warm place he had in all their hearts and their deep regret at his impending removal. Percy Coupland spoke as one of Mr. Cosgrove's spiritual children. He referred to the great interest Mr. Cosgrove took in the young people and in the work of the Sunday school and how greatly he would be missed by them."

"After members of the Presbytery had expressed their appreciation of Mr. Cosgrove as a man and a minister a resolution was passed releasing him from his charge this to take effect on December 24th."

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A KISS IN THE DARK

[Original.]

"It is a serious matter, Sarah, the at-tentions of this young Cameron to Car-rie. He's as wild as a hawk."

"What makes you think so?" asked the wife.

"It's rather what I hear than what I see. They say he flirts from one girl to another like a honeybee. Now, this young Lamkie is different. He'll soon have graduated from the Theological seminary and will settle down to his church. He means business. The other fellow is just amusing himself."

"Well, I don't know. Cameron is a sprightly young fellow, and I don't think there's any bad in him."

The rivals were certainly very differ-ent. Evan Cameron was a whole souled, hall fellow well met young man who usually made himself out much worse than he was. The consequence was that every one except Carrie Wood's father considered him a trifle better than he was. Farnam Lamkie looked with horror on all that was not positively righteous, consequently some people regarded him, not quite so good as he pretended. However, both young men were unexceptional characters, and either would have made a good husband for Carrie Wood. Carrie preferred Cameron, but her father was so bitterly opposed to him that she dare not encourage him.

Evan was bright enough to see which way the wind blew. Indeed he was in-formed by a friend who was intimate with the Woods that Mr. Wood consid-ered him a butterfly and Lamkie a man to be greatly esteemed. Evan was not one to rest content in his rival's ap-ear-ing so much better than himself and set his wits to work to invent some method of getting ahead of the im-maculate theolog. The problem was too dif-ficult to be solved till opportunity came to his rescue. It happened in this wise:

Mr. and Mrs. Wood invited their own and their daughter's friends to an evening's entertainment, wherein a lecturer accompanied his discourse with stereoscopic views, the subject being a trip to the Holy Land. Mr. Lamkie and Mr. Cameron were both present, Mr. Lamkie in high feather, the oc-casion being in his line. As to Mr. Cam-er-on, with his usual self disapproba-tion, he remarked that he thought he would appreciate better a trip in the other direction. Before the arrival of either Miss Wood had listened to a lec-ture from her father upon Mr. Lam-kie's excellence and Mr. Cameron's shortcomings. Mr. Lamkie, feeling that he could make himself interesting to the young lady of his choice by cer-tain notes and comments as the de-scription of the Holy Land proceeded, appropriated her early in the evening, taking a seat by her when the party were assembled in the large drawing room awaiting the appearance of the lecturer. In deference to her guests Miss Wood selected a seat farthest in the rear and at the left of the line. Mr. Cameron stood leaning against the wall on the opposite side of the room and near the front.

The evening was nearly spent, the lecturer was approaching Jerusalem and the end of his discourse, when something gave way in the stereopre-sent, and even that light which was permitted to fall only on the screen was suddenly extinguished. In ten seconds after the accident there was heard proceeding from the identical spot where Miss Wood and the young theolog were sitting a kiss. It was not a brotherly nor a sisterly nor a filial kiss. It was not a short kiss, nor was it very long, but there was in it a great deal of body—a kiss to set the young pairs of lovers in the room tingling. Mr. Wood on perceiving the ac-cident to the stereopre-sent rushed to the electric button and turned on the light. But half a minute had elapsed before he succeeded in doing this. The sud-den illumination revealed every per-son's head in the room turned toward the guilty couple. Mr. Lamkie was scarlet, and Miss Wood was rosy red. Mr. Cameron was observed standing in the position he had occupied when the lecture began and was the only person in the room who had the good taste to refrain from staring at the much observed couple.

The guests were shocked. Mr. Wood was furious and was inclined to order the offender from the house. That of-fender took the first opportunity to go to the host and hastened to assert his innocence. He was not believed by Mr. Wood, who turned his back upon him. Miss Carrie tried to laugh the matter off, while Cameron magnanimously as-erted that any man sitting by so love-ly a girl in the dark who didn't kiss her was a fool.

Mr. Lamkie after this episode was not in a position to press his suit for the hand of Miss Wood. He did not dare be seen with her for fear of excit-ing comment; indeed it called a blush to his face the moment he came into her presence when others were about. She manifested no displeasure with him, but this did not save him from being criticised for conduct at least unbecoming to the cloth. It was not remarkable that his rival, having the preference of the girl and since the dis-agreeable incident of her father—now converts are always most enthusiastic—should succeed in carrying all before him. There was a magnificent wed-ding, but Lamkie, a newly made cler-gyman, did not attend. Indeed his friendly relations with the bride were only restored by the persistence of the husband, who confessed to every one but the man implicated that it was he who had darted from one side of the room to the other, given the smack and barely got back to his position when the lights were turned on.

"But," he would add in conclusion, "what can be expected from such a disreputable character as myself?"

MABEL E. HOKLEY.

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Miss Gannon, Sec'y Detroit Amateur Art Association, tells young women what to do to avoid pain and suffering caused by female troubles.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I can conscientiously recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to those of my sisters suffering with female weakness and the troubles which so often befall women. I suffered for months with general weakness, and felt so weary that I had hard work to keep up. I had shooting pains, and was utterly miserable. In my distress I was advised to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it was a red letter day to me when I took the first dose, for at that time my restoration began. In six weeks I was a changed woman, perfectly well in every respect. I felt so elated and happy that I want all women who suffer to get well as I did."—Miss GUILLA GANNON, 359 Jones St., Detroit, Mich., Secretary Amateur Art Association.

It is clearly shown in this young lady's letter that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will certainly cure the sufferings of women; and when one considers that Miss Gannon's letter is only one of the countless hundreds which we are continually publishing in the newspapers of this country, the great virtue of Mrs. Pinkham's medicine must be admitted by all; and for the absolute cure of all kinds of female ills no substitute can possibly take its place. Women should bear this important fact in mind when they go into a drug store, and be sure not to accept anything that is claimed to be "just as good" as Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, for no other medicine for female ills has made so many actual cures.

How Another Sufferer Was Cured.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I cannot praise your wonderful remedies enough, for they have done me more good than all the doctors I have had. For the last eight years and more I suffered with female troubles, was very weak, could not do my housework, also had nervous prostration. Some days I would remain unconscious for a whole day and night. My neighbors thought I could never recover, but, thanks to your medicine, I now feel like a different woman.

"I feel very grateful to you and will recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to all. It has now been four years since I had the last spell of nervous prostration. I only weighed ninety-eight pounds at that time; now I weigh one hundred and twenty-three. I consider your Vegetable Compound the finest remedy made. Thanking you many times for the benefit I received from your medicine, I remain, yours truly, Mrs. J. H. FARMER, 2809 Elliott Ave., St. Louis, Mo."

Remember Mrs. Pinkham's advice is free and all sick women are foolish if they do not ask for it. She speaks from the widest experience, and has helped multitudes of women.

\$5000 FORFEIT if we cannot forthwith produce the original letters and signatures of above testimonials, which will prove their absolute genuineness. Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co., Lynn, Mass.

COUNTY NEWS.

LONG RUN.

The people would be glad to see a good rain as the cold weather is freezing up the water and several of the springs are going dry.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Nethers of Rocky Fork, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Edwards spent Sunday with E. W. Baker and family.

James Dush and wife spent Saturday and Sunday with the latter's parents near Rocky Fork.

Thomas Gault, Nem Thompson, Charley Nesbit are busy hauling lumber to Hanover for Philip Ritter.

Mrs. Iva Thompson and Mrs. Sadie Thompson spent Tuesday of last week with Mrs. Anice Edwards.

BROWNSVILLE.

William Griffith and wife, of Columbus, are visiting relatives here this week.

William Duff, of Madison county, is visiting his parents.

Margaret Cooperider, of Columbus, is at home for her holiday vacation. The Farmers' institute was well attended and was an interesting and profitable session.

The Jacksonville orchestra rendered excellent music during the sessions of the Farmers' institute.

The Southeastern Licking County Sunday School convention will be held here on December 30.

FRAMPTON.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dennis are the proud parents of a little daughter, which came to brighten their home on Thursday morning.

Miss Blanche Baughman of near Newark is visiting her cousin Miss Rosa Rinehart this week.

Mr. Simon Anderson and grandson, Manford Van Winkle, visited at the home of Mr. Fred Anderson Saturday night.

Mrs. Jane Nicholls, Mrs. Lurel Wyrick and Mrs. Alice Rinehart called on Mrs. Dessie Dennis Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fisk of Wilkins, visited Mrs. Fisk's parents, Mr.

and Mrs. George Chapin, Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. John Wright of Mt. Pleasant, visited her daughters Mrs. E. D. Rinehart and Mrs. R. A. Rinehart a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Meek of Newark are spending a few days with friends at this place.

Mr. Guy Taylor visited Mr. Eli Frey Sunday.

Miss Zoa and Lola Rinehart called on Miss Hattie Berry and Verna Frey Sunday afternoon.

Miss May Varner has been visiting Miss Blanche Van Winkle a few days.

Mr. Ross Davidson and Miss Jasie Little attended church at Goben Friday night.

Miss Goldie Fisk has returned to her home near Wilkin after staying with her grandparents for quite a time.

Our teacher at this place, Mr. Orvan Varner, who has been quite sick with pneumonia is improving.

Mrs. Martha Billman who has been quite sick for the last three weeks, is better at this writing.

Mr. Wm. B. Frampton of Indiana has been visiting friends at this place.

Mr. Howard Miser and Mr. Beatty of New Gilford, visited Mr. Frank Miser Sunday.

TOBOSO

Mr. William Cheek had the misfortune to fall one day last week, fracturing one of his ribs.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rice, who has been very sick, is much better.

Mr. Will Harris and family, of Columbus, spent a few days with friends here last week.

Misses Inez Varner and Minnie Cramer spent Sunday with their aunt, Emma Offenberg, and family.

Mr. Peter Cramer, one of our oldest citizens, has been very ill the past week, but is some better at present.

Mrs. Delilah Lescalliet visited her daughter, Mrs. James Brown, in Newark last week.

Mr. Orlo Rickett and wife have arrived into our village.

Mr. Jesse Shaffer, telegraph operator at Sundale, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Shaffer, this week.

Mr. Orville Fisher and wife made a

business trip to Zanesville Saturday. Miss Hazel Weekly, of Union Station is the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Francis.

Mr. J. S. Loughman, of Rural Route No. 1, made a fine shipment of poultry Monday.

HANOVER.

serve an oyster supper in the Masonic hall on Saturday evening, Dec. 19.

Harry J. Ritchey has returned from Freedom, Pa., to spend the winter at home.

Miss Florence Taylor has returned from a two weeks' visit with friends in Newark.

Miss Zona Yancy will spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. H. I. Holmes in Newark.

After a two weeks' visit with Mr. Mrs. Charles Earhart, Miss Bettie Earhart has returned to her home in Lock 17.

O. B. Ritchey returned to Davenport, Iowa, Monday after a ten days' visit with friends.

The M. E. and Presbyterian Sunday schools are preparing Christmas exercises to be given on Christmas eve.

One of the most pleasant events of the season was the surprise given Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Predmore on Thursday evening. About thirty members of the M. E. church gathered at their home and during the evening served a fine oyster supper. A handsome rocking chair was presented Mrs. Predmore, who has been organist for the church for the past nine years. The evening was spent in games and social converse.

Mrs. Lavina Harsch will entertain with a dinner party on Thursday.

JACKSONTOWN.

Mrs. Milfred Griffith, of Columbus, visited last week with Mrs. Peggy Griffith and daughter, Rena.

Miss Oese Roby returned home Monday, after spending several days in Columbus with her brother, Clarence, and family.

Quite a number of people from here attended the Farmers' institute Monday and Tuesday at Brownsville. The Jacksontown Musical club furnished the music.

Mrs. Emma Smith and little daughter, Fredonia, are visiting Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Handley.

Miss Susie Schwartz visited Saturday and Sunday with Fannie and Grace Gray.

Mrs. Alice Stillwell spent the first of the week with friends in Columbus.

Mrs. L. E. Crow and Mrs. M. M. Rarick were Columbus visitors Tuesday.

Mr. Simon Wilson, of near Thornport, called on Mr. Porter Walters, Monday.

Miss Edith Griffith is spending several days with her aunt, Mrs. Cephas Harter, at the infirmary.

Mr. Charles Paget was calling on friends in Newark, Tuesday.

Mr. Milton Handley arrived here on Thursday from Watertown, S. D., to spend the winter with his father, Mr. Henry Handley.

THORNVILLE.

Vernon Alspach, the young man who lost one of his arms by having it caught in a corn shredder last week, is getting along nicely. Mrs. J. T. Noel is nursing him. Mrs. Calvin Alspach, mother of Vernon Alspach, is still in the hospital at Newark, where she is much improved.

Mrs. George Irvin returned home from New Lexington, where she has been visiting relatives during the past week.

Albert Yost was a Newark visitor Monday.

Our village council will send a committee to visit towns that use the tank system of water supply and report in the future.

Henry Lyon, student of Capitol university, came home Friday evening for the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. S. Q. Parks is on the sick list this week.

S. B. Yost was a Newark caller on Monday.

A number from here attended the Burgo sale last week.

We had zero weather Monday morning.

NEWTON CHAPEL.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Wilkin, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Claggett spent Sunday at Mr. Charles Wilson's.

The Rev. Mr. Griffith will preach on Sunday morning.

Mr. Fred Kirkpatrick of Newark, visited his parents Sunday.

Ralph Mast of Newark visited at the home of Mrs. Mary Kelley last week.

There will be Christmas exercises at the church on Wednesday evening, December 23. Everybody invited.

Mr. Herbert Hogle and Miss Edna Harrah were the guests of Miss Rosa Kelley Sunday.

JAMES CONNELL, SR.

Summit Station, O., Dec. 18.—James Connell, Sr., died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Palmer Henderson, south of this place, on Monday evening at 6 o'clock, after a short illness, aged 75 years. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, in the United Presbyterian church at Reynoldsburg, Rev. Mr. Straine officiating and the interment was made in the Reynoldsburg cemetery. The deceased leaves two daughters and five sons, besides a number of grandchildren, distant relatives and friends to mourn his death. Mr. Connell was one of the pioneer residents of the county, and at one time was a large real estate owner in Etna township, and a leading member of the U. P. church.

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RAILWAY

STATISTICS SHOWN BY REPORT OF COMMISSION.

Earnings Show an Increase Over Previous Year—The Number of Killed and the Injured.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The report of the Inter-State Commerce Commission made public today shows returns for 201,459 miles of railroads, the gross earnings of which for the year were \$1,890,150,679, and the operating expenses were \$1,248,520,483, and the earnings showed an increase over last year of \$34,000,000. The commission also states that it can give no assurance of a decline in freight rates and there is no way advances can be prevented. It also believes that concessions to favored shippers are given contrary to law and some amendment to the law may be necessary to meet this practice. During the year 164 passengers were killed and 4,424 injured. Eight hundred and ninety-five employees were killed, 6,440 injured.

Newburgh, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Fannie C. Hall, aged 55, employed in the home of Station Agent Underhill at Glenham, N. Y., was found in the well of his place this morning. She had been missing since Monday. The woman said Monday morning she was going to visit relatives and her absence was not given much thought. This morning Principal Colby, of the public school, whose home adjoins the Underhill residence, went to the well to draw water. The bucket was missing. He became suspicious and got a grappling iron. First he pulled up the woman's shawl and then the body. The woman had been acting strangely recently. She threw herself headlong into the well, sixty feet deep.

Newport, R. I., Dec. 18.—Since the first of December hundreds of children under eight years have been pouring into a store on Thames street and coming out each with a toy valued at about 75 cents. From four to five o'clock in the afternoon is the time set. It was arranged that children whose names begin with "A" should come on December 1 and those with other initials on the following days. Hundreds of children, rich and poor, have been made happy. It was learned today that Mrs. John Nicholas Brown and Mrs. Harold Brown, worth millions, were the donors of the toys.

Manhattan island has an average of 132 people to the acre, while London has 60.

Loremo

now stands for the standard of value in 5 cent cigars. When the cigar man says "it's as good as a Loremo" get the Loremo

Digs Up Three Skeletons.

Holly Springs, Iowa, Dec. 18.—Three skeletons, believed to be those of members of a prehistoric race, have been found by J. J. Egger. The discovery was made while Mr. Egger was excavating for a cellar. The skeletons were buried in sand overlaid with fifteen feet of black loam. All of them were in sitting postures and in an excellent state of preservation. The skull of one is evidently that of a very old woman. It is much smaller than that of the North American Indian and indicates a low order of intelligence. The forehead is low and receding, the mastoid processes uncommonly large,

the cheek bones high and the occiput bulky. The Smithsonian institution at Washington has been sent a description of the skeletons.

The largest canal in the world is that which extends from the frontier of China to St. Petersburg, 4,472 miles. In India there are 14,000 miles of canal, irrigating 8,000,000 acres of land.

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Most complete and safe facilities for care of furniture and merchandise. All kinds of moving, storage and packing. Hurbaugh Transfer and Storage Co. Office and barns 54 to 58 South Third street. Both 'phones.

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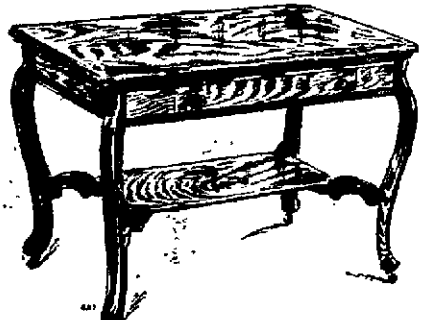
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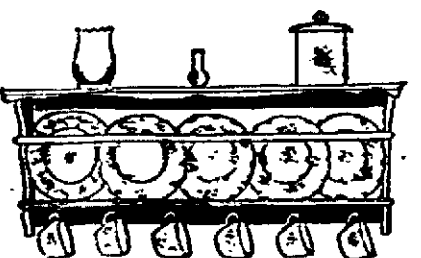
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Only the Vantine kinds. Toasted foreign nuts. Chinese Gingers. Crystallized foreign fruits, etc.

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75 new ones received this week, the choicest line we have ever shown at these prices. They range from \$10 to \$40, some antique hall runners, with a fine sheen at \$18 to \$25 each.

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The winter importation is new all in. These softly blended curtains match so nicely with the oriental draperies and rugs.

MEXICAN AND INDIAN NOVELTIES

Old onyx pieces, baskets, Indian rugs and draperies, Indian jardinières, Mexican lunch cloths and other fine drawn pieces.

SILK CLOAKING FOR EVENING

CAPIES. Self lined, silk faced with fleeced backing, heavy and 48 inches wide, requiring only 2 1-2 yards, ranging from \$3 to \$4 a yard. Exquisite fabrics.

SILK SCARFS

For overhead wear, from \$1 to \$2.50 each.

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FUR SETS OR FUR SCARFS.

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AN APPEAL

FROM PEOPLE OF BUTLER, PA.,
FOR ASSISTANCE.

Mayor Crilly Receives Official Notice
of Conditions at Butler and
Issues a Card.

To The Citizens of Newark:—

The Mayor of Newark has received a notification of the requirements of the relief committee of the city of Butler, Pa., which is now passing the crisis in the worst epidemic of typhoid fever in the history of the United States. Up to December 13, there had been 1254 cases of typhoid fever and 51 deaths. The situation was such that nurses, physicians and typhoid experts went to Butler from all sections of the country. This as well as the extensive sanitary work, involves the expenditure of vast sums of money, a great deal of which must come from voluntary subscriptions. Other cities throughout the country have liberally responded to the needs of this stricken city and realizing that the citizens of Newark are warm hearted and ever ready to heed the cry of distress and need, I have thought it advisable to give them an opportunity to aid in an organized effort to emanate from this city. To this end I have appointed Mr. Fred S. Wright to receive subscriptions in whatever amount, at the First National Bank, the fund to be forwarded as soon as possible to the general relief committee at Butler.

This is a most worthy object which I heartily commend to the generous impulses of the citizens of Newark.

A. J. CRILLY, Mayor.

Newark, Ohio, Dec. 18, 1903.

The Advocate yesterday published a detailed statement of the conditions in Butler. This paper heartily commends the action taken by Mayor Crilly.

Wreck at Croton.

Croton, O., Dec. 18.—While an extra northbound freight train was taking water at a station here, a second freight train, also southbound, ran into the rear end of the first train and smashed the caboose and some coal cars. The engine of the other train was damaged somewhat. The engineer of the second freight said that he could not see the signal lights on the caboose on account of the dense fog. Both crews escaped injuries. Traffic was delayed for some hours.

The population of London has increased 11 per cent in 14 years.

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THE SQUARE

Big Fire Sale Saturday Morning

At 8 o'clock.

First Two days will be devoted to Holiday Goods,
Toys, China, Japanese Ware, Bric-a-brac, etc.

Also House Furnishings, Tin and Granite-ware,
Wooden-ware, and House Furnishings of
every description at your own price.

As soon as these goods are closed out, our Dry
Goods, Carpets, Silks, Dress Goods, Linens
and Domestic will be ready, followed
by Furniture and Wall Paper.

The Powers-Miller Co.

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MEYER & LINDORF The Santa Claus Store.

Santa Claus makes his headquarters here, because he can always find just what he wants. It is so easy to fill orders, where he can find presents that will make the little folks' merry and the old folks happy all at one place.

We Have Thousands of Articles too Numerous to Mention that Will
Make a Handsome and Sensible Xmas Present

Cloaks! Cloaks! Cloaks!

We have bought the entire stock of one of the largest cloak manufacturers in this country at less than 50 cents on the dollar, and we will give one of the greatest cloak sales ever heard of at this season of the year, on up-to-date stylish gowns. No Old Stuff among them, every one is the very latest New York style.

LADIES' MILITARY CLOAKS

75 of this line with large military capes new shoulders, made in Kersey or Mitten cloth, silk lined and button trimmed, comes in black and castor colors and regularly sold for \$5.00 \$8.50 and \$10 to go at

\$5.00

143 Medium Length Ladies Military Cloaks in Kersey, Zibeline or Mitten, cloth satin lined, stop seam and button trimmed with or without military capes over shoulder. Comes in black, blue, brown and castor. Sold regularly

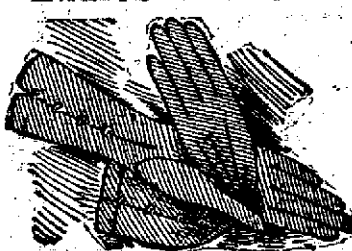
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Ladies' Very Stylish Man Tailored Coats in either long or medium length, loose or tight fitting back with or without capes over shoulder, extra fine quality Kersey or Zibeline, satin lined, stop seam or button trimmed in black, grey, blue, brown or castor colors. This is the finest line of coats you ever saw, and sold regularly for \$22.50 to \$30. Our price

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Ladies' and Children's Gloves



Ladies golf glove

special at 25c, 39c

and 50c

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Ladies kid glove

special 100 kinds to

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Ladies kid gloves makes a pretty and useful

xmas gift. Our specials are beauties at 98c, \$1.25

and \$1.50.

Corsets.

15 doz Satin Girdles in blue, pink and white, regular \$1 kind to go at

50c

A Dress Goods Pattern makes a very desirable xmas present.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

100 doz. Ladies Kerchiefs, worth 5c to go at

2 1-2c

150 doz Ladies Kerchiefs, either plain or lace edges to go at 5c

75 doz Ladies Kerchiefs, plain or fancy border, worth 15c,

to go at 10c.

Ladies Kerchiefs Specials at 15, 25, 35, 50, 75, 85, 98 cents and

\$1.25, 1.50, 1.98 and \$2.25.

Men's Kerchiefs Specials at 5, 10, 15, 25, 35 and 50 cents.

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Fancy Box for

Gloves,

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DOLLS! DOLLS!

Our buyer has just returned from the

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be able to give some great doll values.

Note the following prices and compare

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see the bargains that we are offering.

Dolls worth 75c **\$50c** Dolls worth \$1 **\$75c** Dolls worth \$1.50 **\$98c** Dolls worth \$2 **\$1.4**

Others to compare in values as follows: \$1.98, \$2.50, \$2.98,

\$3.98 up to \$10.00 dressed and undressed.

UMBRELLAS.

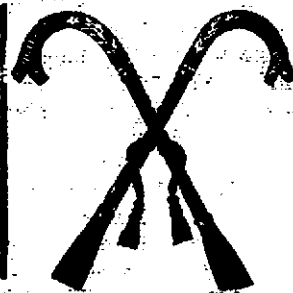
LADIES AND MEN'S umbrellas. We have the largest and most complete assortment in the city at special prices as follows:

Men's Umbrellas at \$1.98, 2.98, 3.98,

5.00 and 5.98.

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2.98, \$3.98, 4.98 and 6.50.



A Few Appropriate, Useful and Sensible Suggestions for Xmas Gifts.
Table Linens, Rugs, Umbrellas, Furs, Gloaks, Kerchiefs, Gloves, Men's
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Fore Fathers' Day.

The anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers falls this year on the coming Sunday, they having landed at Plymouth Rock December 20, 1620. It is most appropriate that we observe this anniversary on Sunday with religious services, for among their greatest contribution to this country is that of spiritual insight and lofty ideals. On Sunday evening at Plymouth Congregational church the event will be fittingly observed. Rev. J. L. Kiernan will deliver a lecture on "The Story of the Pilgrim Fathers." The public is invited to hear this sermon, depicting the trials and persecu-

tions these people underwent for the sake of their religion and liberty. Such stories as these never grow old, and every one will surely be profited by hearing this beautiful story of this noble band of our forefathers. Seats are free and all are welcome.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our most heartfelt thanks to the many kind friends, neighbors, the International Union, who so kindly assisted us during the death of our loved one, and also for the many beautiful floral tributes. From daughters, father and sister of Hugh McConnell.

Special Art Vase Sale.

Commencing Saturday morning, we will place on sale at H. D. Munson's Music Store, 27 West Main street, a large number of hand decorated art vases, worth \$2.00 and \$2.98, for 98 cts. each.

This bargain will last for a few days only. Call and get your choice exhibition in charge of Miss Twigg.

12-18-21

The late Lieutenant Goldschmidt was the oldest musical director in the German army; for 50 years he had been leader of the band of the Königs-Grenadiers. His band played at Sedan. In 1898 he was pensioned.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

HOLLY, MISTLETOE

Bequeathed by
Pagan Nations of the Distant Past.

CHRISTMAS TREE

Many there be who affirm that Christmas is not Christmas if the holly and the mistletoe be missing. From time immemorial both have been closely associated with the Yuletide celebration, and truly the deep green leaves and scarlet berries of the holly, combined with the sedate but more significant mistletoe, add zest to the enjoyment of the day. The Christmas plum pudding itself appears bereft of its best friend if it repose on the festal board minus a decorative garland of holly. Centuries of use and tradition have given the holly and the mistletoe the prominence which, in the eyes of those who know what an old-fashioned Christmas means, they richly deserve.

Authorities are agreed that the use of both as a Christmas decoration is of great antiquity. In the case of the holly it is affirmed that it is probably the continuation of a custom which prevailed among the Romans of pre-Christian years, the old Latins holding the holly in such high esteem that it was woven into wreaths at weddings. The ancient Teutons also made a significant use of the holly, and the chances are that it was from them that the Christian idea of decorating the house with holly at Christmastide originated. They hung up in their dwelling places branches of evergreens, among which the holly predominated, as places of shelter for the fairies during the cold winter months. The superstition in certain districts that it is unlucky to bring holly into the house before Christmas eve is possibly a survival of this pretty pagan fancy.

All manner of superstitions, in truth, cluster about both holly and mistletoe. For instance, in the counties of Worcestershire and Hertfordshire, in England, sprigs of the holly which have been used in the decoration of the parish church are carried home by the head of each household and preserved in the belief that they will bring good luck during the year. Another superstition is connected with an interesting peculiarity of the European holly, the fact that whenever the shrub attains the dignity of a tree the lower leaves alone exhibit sharp points, the upper leaves being "smooth and unarmed." The simple people of the countryside call the smooth variety "she holly" and the spiny form "he holly" and aver that great care must be taken to see that the latter predominates in the Christmas decorations, else the head of the household will assuredly be its mistress, not its master.

The use of the mistletoe is commonly accredited to a Druidical custom, but antiquarians believe that, so far as the practice of "kissing under the mistletoe" is concerned, we must look further back, so far back, indeed, as the days of the Babylonians, when a man who was lucky enough to catch a maiden under the mystic bough was entitled not only to kiss her, but to make her his wife. In this connection it may be said that there are very few who hang the mistletoe nowadays in the manner prescribed by ancient usage. Two hoops twined with evergreens should be suspended, interlaced, from the center of the ceiling or chandelier, while the mistletoe amid a cluster of small rosy apples hangs in the middle of the hoops. And it ought not

to be forgotten, according to an old superstition, that bad luck will surely follow if the mistletoe fall from the place where it has been hung.

The primeval Britons looked upon the pearly berries as symbolic of purity and associated them closely with marriage rites. They also supposed them to be endowed with great medicinal virtue, in addition to having a sacred significance by reason of growing upon oaks, the tree which the Britons venerated. The gathering of the mistletoe at

Yuletide was accompanied by much pomp and ceremony, the Britons, led by their priests, the Druids, marching in procession through the forests and offering up sacrifices of bulls and at times human beings when they arrived at the spot where the mistletoe was hanging in abundance. The boughs were then distributed as a gift from heaven to cure all ills and to insure the prosperity of the fortunate recipients.

The old time Teutons also revered the mistletoe, holding it as sacred to Balder, the sun god. About it they wove a legend. Balder pre-

dicted that he would soon be slain, and his mother made animals, plants and minerals swear not to injure him. Unluckily, she overlooked the mistletoe, and when this fact was discovered by Hoeder, the blind god of strength, he formed a pointed wand of mistletoe and with it pierced Balder to the heart. Hoeder did not escape punishment, for he was imprisoned in a cave with a serpent, perishing miserably.

Of the two the holly is used much more extensively as a Christmas decoration. Holly, on the other hand, grows abundantly in several sections of the country, the greater part of that employed for Christmas decorations being found in Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and Alabama.

The Christmas tree itself has a romantic history. Its usage as part of the Christmas festival comes to us direct from Germany, but a similar festival with a tree as a component part is observed in many heathen countries and by some is said to date back to the days of the sun worshippers. The Chinese used to decorate a tree with lamps and place it in the royal audience chamber so far back as the third century before the Christian era, but the custom is now obsolete. A somewhat similar practice, however, may still be observed in Japan.

The custom of using candles on the Christmas tree is not associated with the Scandinavians and Norsemen, as is by some supposed, for the hardy men of the north did not possess such luxuries, contenting themselves with pine knot torches and the glow of their log fires. The candle custom may safely be ascribed to the Roman feast called the saturnalia, a feast in honor of the god Saturn, lasting sometimes for a fortnight and beginning about the 15th of December. During this celebration candles were employed not only for decorative and illuminating purposes, but as gifts from friend to friend, tokens of brightness, cheerfulness and good will.

It is said that not less than 4,000,000 Christmas trees are used in the United States alone. Like so much else, they bring prices varying with size and quality, and while little fellows can be bought for half a dollar, the giants ranging from fifteen to eighteen feet high command as much as \$50 apiece. These prices, of course, are city market prices, since in the country the Christmas tree can usually be obtained by going out into the woods and cutting it down.

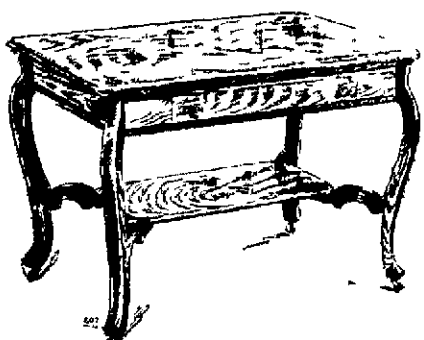
It is interesting to note that the pagan origin of so many of our Christmas customs rendered them distasteful to many sects and denominations of Christians, and to this day there are not wanting those who object to the jollity that characterizes the celebration of the nativity. The followers of Calvin and the Puritans were especially strenuous in their opposition to the introduction of pagan ideas and would not tolerate the use of trees, evergreens and the Yule log. The pilgrim fathers themselves declined to recognize Christmas as a day to be set apart for rejoicing and on the Christmas of the year that they landed in America worked resolutely all day long at their accustomed tasks, glorying in their non-observance of the superstitious



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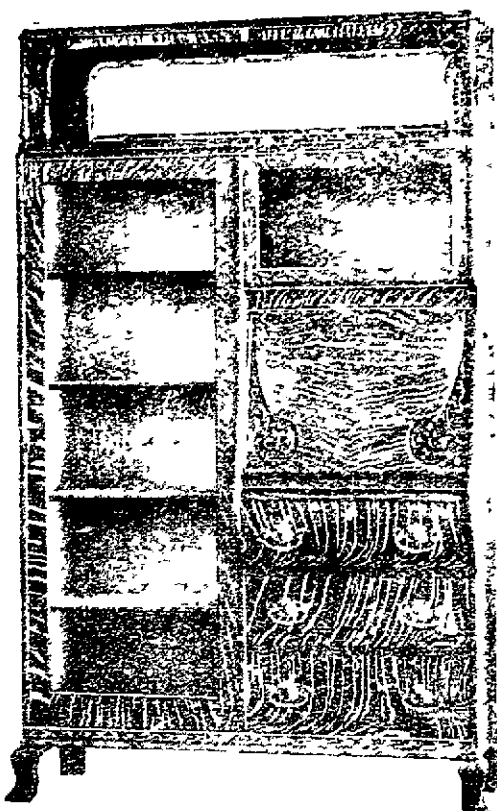
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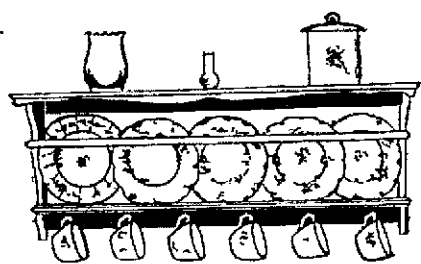
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HOLLY, MISTLETOE CHRISTMAS TREE

Customs that had been adopted by
pagan Christians

It must not be forgotten that the early church fathers and missionaries themselves tried at first to induce the heathen among whom they labored to abandon their customs and festivals, but their efforts were vain, and, finding that the pagans would reject Christianity in toto rather than relinquish all that they held dear, the missionaries rightly deemed it wiser to permit the continuance of harmless observances which would not impede the progress of the work of spreading the gospel. Thus the customs themselves were enabled to survive, while the religions with which they were associated gradually died out.

So far as the actual celebration of Christmas itself is concerned, it appears to be a fact that it was not until about 400 years after the death of Christ that any one day was universally set apart by the Christian world to honor as his birthday. Indeed, a century passed after his death before there was any general attempt at a celebration. Then there was great diversity of opinion as to the day which should be observed. Some chose the 1st and others the 6th of January; others, again, thought that the proper day was in March, about the time of the Jewish Passover; still others observed the feast in September, on the same day as the Jewish feast of tabernacles. The 19th of April and the 29th of May were also observed in different communities as the birthday of the Saviour. With the beginning of the fifth century, however, it was generally accepted that the feast ought to fall on the 25th of December and its formal establishment as the right day for celebrating the nativity followed.

CHANNING A. BARTOW

YOUNG ACTRESS WHO GOT HER CHANCE.



MISS ANN ARCHER.

It is not often nowadays that a young and inexperienced actress gets a chance to play a leading part, and it is even more seldom when one of them does get a chance that she makes good. That's why Miss Ann Archer comes near being unique. Miss Archer insists on spelling her given name without a final "e," but she indignantly denies that she is the Ann in whose age the country has recently been so much interested.

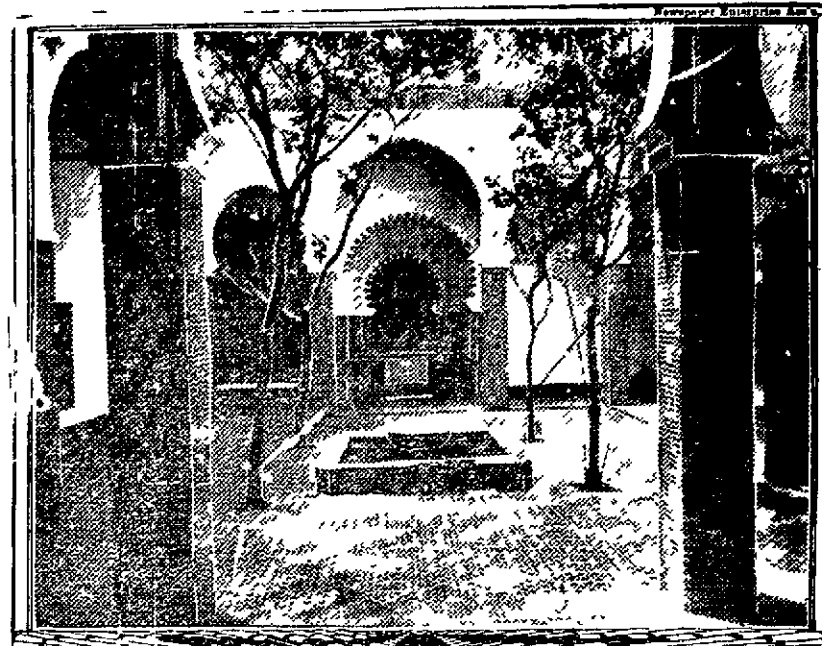
Last season Miss Archer was engaged by Frank McKee to play a very small part in "The Stubbornness of Geraldine." It was her second season on the stage and she had exactly 17 words to speak. In the company was Amy Ricard, an actress of experience, who made a great big hit as "The Girl From Butte." Before the season closed Miss Ricard had an offer to originate a part in "The Babe in Toyland," and Mr. McKee released her. Then it became necessary to find someone to fill the part. Miss Archer was given a chance, although no one supposed that an actress with so little experience would be successful in it. But she was, and as a result she was engaged this year regularly for the part, the most important one, save that of the star, in the play.

Kuno Fischer, the eminent historian of philosophy, has at last been obliged to give up his professorship in Heidelberg. He is in his eightieth year and has been at Heidelberg since 1872.



EIGHT DISTINCT RACES GOVERNED BY THE FRENCH IN ALGERIA

HAS SPLENDID MATERIAL ON THE SPOT FOR SOLDIERS—THE SPANISH WHO ARE ALWAYS READY TO MARCH OR RIDE THROUGH ANYTHING.



MOORISH HOUSE

Algiers, Dec. 1.—The French govern in Algeria no less than eight distinct races. Considering that it must be admitted that the administration of the colony is able, for, excepting sporadic troubles with the Touaregs in the distant south, there is little discontent among the people.

There are Berbers in the Kabyle mountains, wild men who love not the face of the stranger. Most of them live a nomadic life, but a few are engaged in agriculture.

The Arabs are the most numerous of the races and occupy the southern parts of the colony. They are a religious, grave even kindly people, and it is generally safe to travel among them. The Moors are a mixed race, living in the towns and villages on or near the coast. The Jews are found in numbers in the towns engaged in mercantile pursuits.

The Turks, once the dominant race, though never very numerous, still linger to some extent, but in most of the towns they have nearly disappeared. The Kolongis are descendants of the Turks, with black parentage on the female side. They form a considerable

long in the fighting line. They wear a workmanlike costume of blue tunic and cherry-colored, baggy trousers tucked into white gaiters just below the knee.

But the Spaniards are simply splendid to the American eye. They wear a narrow colored gait typically Arabian and the men inside the garb are luscious fellows ready to march or ride through anything. There is a lurking fire behind their sad brown eyes and a little sweep of their limbs that makes the westerner long to see them swooping along in a hand-to-hand contest, with their curved blades flashing in the sun, and their wild voices crying "Allah!" The Frenchmen are proud of their country, brave, picturesque Spaniards.

The colony is also used in some measure to train recruits especially those who are going later to French Tonquin. Here they get used to the moderate heat which serves to prepare them for the tropical stations of their future service. It is in Algeria and Tonquin that the famous Foreign Legion of the French army composed of fighting adventurers of every land are generally to be found. At Oran there is an excellent sanatorium for French soldiers—for France looks at her warriors well.



proportion of the population of Algiers and other towns.

Negroes were brought from the interior as slaves years ago, and now remain as freemen engaged in the labor of the colony. Finally there are the Mozabites, principally engaged in the commonest manual labor of the coast towns. Over all these, of course, are the French, dominating everything, carrying their musical language into the Arabic and renaming Algerian streets Boulevard de la Republique, and so forth.

Algeria has had a stirring history. It has been successfully under the sway of the Carthaginians, the Romans, the Vandals, the Arabs, the Byzantines and the Berbers, the last being supplanted by the Turks in the 16th century.

Under the Turks the colony was ruled by a dey, who controlled it in four provinces. It was a bad rule, and when the Moors left Spain, Algeria became a hotbed of the vilest set of pirates that ever sailed under the crossbones. Many infamous crimes were committed along the Mediterranean, and the pirates even made forays along the European coast.

Several temporary checks were administered by various powers, but it was not until the French finished their conquest in 1830 that the pirates' record reached its full stop.

Now Algeria has three provinces with a governor general in supreme command. Algiers is the center province Oran on the west and Constantine in the east. Till 1871 the disturbed state of the country necessitated the maintenance of military rule, but since that date there has been a civil government, and in 1865 both Mohammedans and Jews were declared to be eligible for French citizenship.

The French government has some splendid material on the spot for soldiers. The two principal branches of the army here are the Zouaves and the Spahis. The Zouaves are a small, wiry, alert set of infantrymen, essentially French and looking fit for any

Today, Algeria is comparatively quiet though the Touaregs give trouble at times and marauding bands from Morocco attack French caravans near the frontier of that unruly state. This gives the French troops fierce but fitful work and incidentally paves the way for the advance of the French in the direction of Fez, even as she has advanced to Tunis. Finance helped much in the latter case and will in the former, and again probably the nominal rule will not be directly French—but the real power, mildly named a protectorate, will be French, and no country will disturb it except by war.



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